Obituaries

Sally Ann Campbell

AMHERST - Sally Ann Campbell, 84, widow of the late Tinch Epperson Campbell, died Monday evening in Lynchburg General Hospital.

Born in Amherst County, she was a daughter of the late Benjamin Wise Campbell and the late Artie Staples Campbell. She was a member of Wesleyan United Methodist Church.

She is survived by five sons, Jack Campbell of Lynchburg, Herman Campbell of Charlottesville, Calvin Campbell of Arrington, Harvey Campbell of Pamplin, and Tinch Campbell Jr. of Tye River; five daughters, Mrs. Joe Mays of Shipman, Mrs. Vernell Corbett and Mrs. Myrtle Wright, both of Madison Heights, and Mary Esther Moyer and Mrs. Shirley Howard, both of Lynchburg; four sisters, Mrs. Blanche Rall, Mrs. Gladys Lawhorne, and Mrs. Teeny Schaar, all of Amherst and Mrs. Martha Staples of Ohio; 40 grandchildren; 43 great-grandchildren, and a great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Thursday at Driskill Funeral Chapel in Amherst. Interment was in Amherst Cemetery.

Lynn Franklin

Leonard Lynn Franklin, 64, of Route 1, died Friday at his residence.

Born in Appomattox County, he was a son of the late John Franklin and Mary Goin Franklin. He was a retired employee of Rockydale Stone Quarries.

He is survived by five brothers, Walker Franklin and Burke Franklin, both of Appomattox, Albert Franklin, Elmo Franklin and Harding Franklin, all of Spout Spring.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Sunday from Robinson Funeral Home. Burial was in Liberty Cemetery.

Bert Elmo Hancock

Bert Elmo Hancock, 71, of Rt. 1, Box 224, Appomattox, died Saturday at his residence.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 4 p.m. at Promiseland Baptist Church in Appomattox with interment in the church cemetery.

West Funeral Home of Appomattox is in charge of arrangements.

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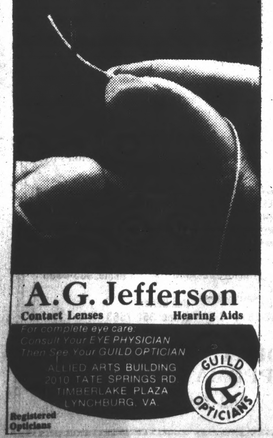

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Hearing set on local cablevision

A public hearing has been scheduled for Nov. 10 to determine the fate of the Appomattox cable television franchise, according to town manager Bill Britton.

Britton said Monday that the hearing was scheduled after a 30-day compliance period expired last Tuesday for Arco, Inc. Arco is a Pennsylvania based cable television company which currently holds the Appomattox franchise.

At last Monday's Town Council meeting, the Mayor and Council were informed that Arco had been given 30 days to come into compliance with the original terms of their franchise agreement with the town. That 30 days expired last Tuesday (Oct. 14), and the town may, if it sees fit, cancel the Arco franchise.

Britton noted this week that the hearing will be for the purpose of "local citizens and the owners (of Arco) asking and answering questions, and making statements about the town's proposal to discontinue the Arco cablevision franchise."

Britton said that cable television companies currently operating in the Town of Farmville and in the City of Lynchburg have expressed strong interest in taking over the Appomattox cablevision franchise.

The public hearing will be held immediately prior to the regularly scheduled Town Council meeting Nov. 10, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Republicans schedule rally

W. M. Abbitt, member of the Steering Committee of the Virginians for Regan - Bush for President Committee, announced that there is going to be a Fifth District-wide rally for Regan - Bush in South Boston, Virginia.

The rally will be held this Friday, October 24, 1980 at 5:30 behind the Junior High School at the Firemen's Field just one mile East of South Boston between South Boston and Halifax. Brunswick stew will be served. The public is invited.

Abbitt pointed out that Mills E. Godwin, Jr., Chairman of the Statewide organization, and French Slaughter, former member of the General Assembly from Culpepper and Co-ordinator of the committee, and Gov. John Dalton will be at the rally. A large crowd is expected and the public is urged to attend. The stew is free.

"This is a most important election," Abbitt pointed out, "and we're hoping for a large crowd from Appomattox at the rally; it is a district-wide rally and people from all over the district are urged to attend."

Williams takes grid contest

Bettye Williams of Route 1, Appomattox missed accurately predicting the outcomes of only four of 23 games offered in last week's football contest to win the weekly competition.

Williams missed only on the Rutgers-William and Mary game (William and Mary won), the UNC-NC State game (UNC won), the Duke-Clemson game (Duke won), and the Rustburg-Dan River game (Rustburg won).

A three-way tiebreaker developed to determine the second-place contestant in last week's competition.

William E. Mann, Jr., Jack Layne, Jr., and B. W. Jamerson, all of Appomattox, each missed accurately predicting the outcomes of five of the games offered in the contest.

Mann was declared the winner after point-spreads were computed in the two tie-breaker games offered, however. He totaled a 161-point spread as compared with an 80-point spread for Layne and a 96-point spread for Jamerson.

Williams will receive a check for $10 and Mann a check for $5 from the Times-Virginian as a result of their soothsaying prowess.

The popular weekly football contest continues in the Times-Virginian this week. Details and rules of the game can be found on the football contest page inside.

Baby-photo feature to begin

The Times-Virginian will begin a "Baby-of-the-Week" photo feature starting next week.

Parents and grandparents of children ages infant to 24 months are invited to send either a color portrait or a gloss black and white photo of their child or grandchild, along with the full name, address and phone number of the child and parents, for publication in the Times-Virginian.

The photos will be printed as the newspaper receives them.

For further details, contact the Times-Virginian at 352-8215.

Homecoming Queen

MISS STEPHANIE FERGUSON, escorted by Mr. Edward McCoy, was crowned the 1980 Appomattox Homecoming Queen at the Raider-Jefferson Forest football game Friday night. It was a better night for Miss Ferguson than for the Raiders, however, as the home team lost its homecoming game by a score of 48-0. See story, page 11 (Photo by Allen Austin).

In Appomattox County

Cold homes are target

By FRANCES H. PAULETTE

Have you ever been cold? Really cold?

Are you aware that as many as 600 homes in Appomattox County may be without adequate heat this winter? A staggering thought but true because in many instances the choice may be whether to purchase food or fuel.

An Appomattox County Citizens Committee has been formed for the purpose of assisting those individuals who are genuinely in need and your help is needed.

It has been a tradition in Appomattox County for people to help each other in a time of need and that this help was given out of a genuine concern. It is believed that if our citizens are aware of a neighbor in need that they will rally to the cause and genuinely respond to that need. Consequently, the committees sees the primary role of the anti-cold homes committee as prohoting an awareness of needs that exist and enlisting the help of churches and civic groups and individuals to respond to these needs.

It is the hope of this committee that the response will be such that citizens will again check on neighbors and assist them out of a genuine concern for their welfare. When this happens, the committee will have accomplished it's purpose and can cease to exist.

First, we ask you, take a little bit of time to look around your community and do what you can to help meet the needs of your neighbors.

The committee is NOT interested in helping those individuals who refuse, for no good reason, to help themselves; however, are convinced that a real need does exist in our county.

The committee is convinced that the best way to meet this need is to eliminate the forms and paperwork and solve the problems on a person to person to basis.

Monetary donations sould be made payable to the "Appomattox Cold Homes Program" and mailed to W. R. Britton, Jr. P. O. Box 705, Appomattox, Va. 24522.

If anyone has any questions, please call W. R. Britton, Jr. 352-8268.

Members of the committee are: W. E. Britton, Jr., W.S. Slagle, Wallace Clair, Virginia Babcock, Rex Bennett, Sylvia Brooks, Nancy Carwile, Lonnette Chilton, Jennie Coleman, Peter Hale, George Martin Sr., Richard Martin, Harmon Smith, Jenie Fratrick, Hattie Grace Matthews, Edna Womack, Mrs. Fred Lawson and Groven Beasley Jr.

The committee has received permission from Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Jones to use the old sawmill site on Lee-Grant Avenue within the Town of Appomattox as a storage and distribution yard for firewood. If you have some time to devot and/or a truck or wood which could be used, please let us know by calling Richard Martin or Mrs. Virgina Babcock at 352-7125 or W. R. Britton Jr. 352-8268.

U.S. Report

Ag population said decreasing

The U. S. farm population numbered 6.2 million in 1979, about 2.8 percent of the total U.S. population, according to a report released this week by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Commerce.

The number of farm residents was calculated to be down about 4 percent (260,000) from the 1978 figure, according to estimates produced jointly by USDA's Economics and Statistics Service and Commerce's Bureau of the Census. "However," said USDA demographer Vera Banks, 'such a decline may represent a slight variation in the sample rather than a real decline in the total farm population."

Banks said the farm population has proportionally fewer women, more whites, more husband wife families and a higher fertility level than the nonfarm population. In addition, she said, the farm population has a higher average age and a lower average income.

The number of farm residents declined more slowly in the seventies than in earlier decades. Between 1970 and 1979, the farm population lost an average of 2.8 percent of its residents per year, much less than the 4.8 percent average annual rate of loss between 1960 and 1970.

Single free copies of the report are available by writing to Vera Banks, Room 550, GHI Bldg., ESS/USDA, Washington, D.C., 20250. Or phone (202) 447-8201.

Lions plan meeting

Former Appomattox resident, the Rev. Omar Burnette will be the guest speaker at the fall Ladies and Charter Night of the Appomattox Lion's Club at the Appomattox County High School tonight (Thursday), beginning at 6:45 p.m.

This meeting will mark the 41st Anniversary of the Appomattox Lions Club.

Members are urged to attend.

$720 more needed

A total of $14,980 had been donated to the Appomattox County Volunteer Rescue Squad fundraising drive as of press time, according to ACRS spokesman Ray Noble.

Noble notes that the rescue squad, which provides emergency services for Appomattox County, and surrounding areas, relies on the generous contributions of the citizens of the area it serves to continue operations.

"We really appreciate the generous contributions the people of Appomattox have made to the rescue squad fund drive," Noble said this week. "We hope to make our goal of $15,700 before the end of the month, when the drive officially ends."

Anyone interested in making a contribution to the rescue squad may contact any member of the squad, or drop off a contribution at the Travelers Inn Motel on Route 460 in town.

Father Darkleaf

By CALVIN ROBINSON

The ritual of changing clocks occurs this weekend, and Nature's ritual of changing colors has already started. From My Den window, the color remains mostly green, but appearing are shades of orange, red and brown. Ah yes, and leaves are falling. What to do about fallen leaves, even when raked, is a problem and it is not on the Nov. 4 ballot.

Saturday morning I was in my front yard and heard a whistling, droning sort of noise. It was a steady sound and I could not trace its source. Finally I looked up, and hundred of birds where streaming overhead. Perfectly organized, they were an intent lot, and the noise was the hum of wings. Leaders well out in front, and a pair of MP's a bit to the rear to round up errant birds. A familiar scene this time of year. You do not have to be hit on the head by falling acorns to know it's Fall.

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A bit about Sports. ACHS fell to Jefferson Forest in football and VPI, VMI and William and Mary were Big Five winners. Seminole League volleyball saw ACHS in the finals and there was a captain's choice golf match at the country club. In baseball, this is written before the final game, but the World Series was a great one. I never attended a World Series game, but my late Dad did. One of his Deacons took him to the Series, but they could not get tickets. Dad found out where the late Judge K. M. Landis, First High Commissioner, was staying and talked the boss of baseball into getting tickets. Dad threatened to get on his knees and pray for rain! All the Series cost Dad was a thank you to the Deacon.

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Final Sports item: Slippery Rock 15, Edinboro 0.

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I had seen my college roommate of my freshman year only once in over fifty years, yet I recognized Raymond E. Brann the instant he rang my doorbell one day last week. We had a happy reunion. He was accompanied by his wife and friends, Mr. Sebrig and Crawley. Raymond is retired after an outstanding career as school principal and division superintendent. Lives at Heathsville.

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Coon dogs in a water race, treeing contest and bench show will be one of the attractions at this year's Blue Ridge Folklife Festival Saturday at Perrum College. Last year's event drew some 40,000 people. And the annual Tobacco Festival will be held at Richmond, the 32nd in a great series. Remember when Miss Appomattox was crowned Queen of Tobacconland? This year's football game for the Festival is between VPI and U. of R.

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Hunting season is coming up. Not one of my sports, but last season in Appomattox the take included 788 deer and 388 turkeys. Buckingham County reported 1775 deer and 460 turkeys. Virginia totals were 69,926 deer and 9,116 turkeys. And 214 bears. Southampton County leads the state in deer hunting success.

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I am proud of my '63 model car. Meets my limited driving needs. But how about the same make and a '63 model of Mrs. Ethelyn Wase, of Red House, 349,000 miles and looks great.

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The tall deputy sheriff on duty on Main Street during the recent Railroad Festival parade and program was B. A. Carter. I went up and chatted with him during a lull in the activities. He is six feet four inches tall, and a native of Indiana. Glad to have him in Appomattox. Thanks for reading and seeya around.

Bloodmobile scheduled Monday

The Bloodmobile will be in Appomattox for its regularly scheduled visit Monday (Oct. 27), according to Bloodmobile spokesman Alice Martin.

The van will be at Liberty Baptist Church on Church Street from noon until 6 p.m., Martin says.

All eligible donors are urged to visit the Bloodmobile and contribute to this worthy cause, Mrs. Martin adds.

Local Rocky?

GORDON FORD displays the trophy he won Sunday by knocking out middleweight opponent Jim Bowles of Rocky Mount, Va. Ford, who has not boxed in three years, scored the TKO in the first round of the amateur fight, which was held at the Lynchburg Armory and sponsored by the Fraternal Order of Police. Ford, a 1976 graduate of Appomattox County High School, has been invited to fight in the Durham, N.C. Civic Center Nov. 22. He said of his upcoming contest, "If I win as an amateur, then maybe I'll turn pro."